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Via Facsimile

**Re: FRA – Locomotive Engineer Certification Case
Mullenbach, R. J., Respondent, Docket No. EQAL 98-84**

Dear Administrative Hearing Officer King:

After being out on the road for business the past three months, I have returned to my office inundated with FRA and other arbitration projects. I additionally expect to be out of the office three days a week for the next several weeks on previously scheduled business. For these reasons, I will not be able to adhere to the Initial Scheduling Order which dictates the Organization Respond to Petitioner's Statement of Issues. Therefore, I request an extension of ten (10) business days to file same.

My office has received permission from SOO Line's Attorney Nicholas Chase and left a message on FRA Attorney Kathryn Shelton's voice mail.

Thank you in advance for your consideration to my request.

Sincerely,

Richard K. Radek

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cc: All parties of record.